

COUNTRY	East Germany	REPORT	
TOPIC	Soviet Troop Trains at Rathenow		25X1
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EVALUATION		PLACE OBTAINED	25X1
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REMARKS			

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1. Troop trains passing through the Rathenow railroad station between 4 June and 7 July 1953 included:

<u>Time and Date</u>	<u>Composition of Troop Trains</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
2:40 p.m. 4 June	9 flatcars 1 gondola car and 2 boxcars with beams and wooden boards	Wustermark	Brandenburg

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3:05 a.m. 7 June	10 boxcars and 45 flatcars	Altengrabow	Blumenthal
9:30 p.m. 7 June	13 boxcars and 38 flatcars with 34 trucks, 10 sedans, 2 jeeps, 2 field kitchens and 4 AT guns	Altengrabow	Blumenthal

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4:24 a.m. 1 July	8 boxcars and 19 flatcars	Zehdenick	Tangerhuetten
1:48 p.m. 1 July	5 boxcars and 16 flatcars	Templin	Tangerhuetten
1:26 a.m. 2 July	11 boxcars and 30 flatcars with 27 trucks, 8 pontoons and 1 motorboat	Bernau	Tangerhuetten

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9:50 a.m.	13 boxcars and	Vogelsang	Mahlwinkel
1 July	21 flatcars		
9:30 p.m.	10 boxcars and	Altruppın	Jerichow
7 July	26 flatcars with		
	10 pontoons,		
	1 motorboat,		
	12 trucks,		
	2 amphibious cars and		
	1 field kitchen		

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2. Loadings observed at the Rathenow main station on 14 June and 4 July included:

25X1 At 11:45 a.m. on 14 June. Four boxcars and 14 flatcars with 16 trucks which arrived by road. [REDACTED]

25X1 At 1:03 p.m. on 14 June. Fourteen boxcars and 36 flatcars with 41 trucks, 4 jeeps, 2 field kitchens, and 5 BA-64 armored scout cars. Rathenow was not home station of the unit. 5

25X1 At 1:25 a.m. on 4 July. Twelve boxcars and 11 flatcars with trucks of unknown origin. [REDACTED] with Dresden as receiving station. [REDACTED]

25X1 At 5:35 a.m. on 4 July. Ten boxcars and 9 flatcars with trucks of unknown origin. [REDACTED] with Fuerstenberg as receiving station. [REDACTED]

3. On 9 July, the military occupation of Rathenow was unchanged.

25X1 1. [REDACTED] Comment. The troop train carried ground unit personnel of a ground attack regiment which was transferred from Doeberitz to Brandenburg-Briest airfield. The train was previously reported [REDACTED]

25X1 2. [REDACTED]

25X1 3. [REDACTED] Comment. Probably troop trains which carried engineer units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army to the Tangerhuetten - Bittkau area west of the Elbe River for field exercises. [REDACTED]

25X1 The troop train from Bernau to Tangerhuetten was probably observed by another source passing through Eberswalde and proceeding toward the north

25X1 The train probably carried elements of the 22nd Gds Engr Bn of the 6th Gds Mecz Div which, in conjunction with troop movements during the riots, must have been transferred from Templin to Bernau.

25X1 4. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
25X1 engineer exercises by units of the Second Gds Mecz Army apparently were conducted in the Rathenow-Jerichow area.

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25X1 5. [] Comment. The shipping away of units which participated in a
25X1 probable signal command post exercise in the Wittstock - Rathenow -
Stendal area. []

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25X1 6. [] Comment. Other reports indicate that the troop train to Dresden
25X1 carried headquarters units of the First Gds Mecz Army. []
25X1 The troop train [] probably carried headquarters
25X1 units of the Second Gds Mecz Army. The units on the two trains probably
25X1 returned from a signal command post exercise. []

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